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The Honorable Chairman and Members of
the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission
Kekuanaoa Building, First Floor
465 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Commissioners:

Subject: Docket No. 2008-0083
HECO 2009 Test Year Rate Case
HECO's Additional IRs to the Consumer Advocate and DOD

On April 24, 2009, in accordance with the procedural schedule in this proceeding, Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. ("HECO" or "Company") filed information requests ("IRs") on the revenue requirements testimonies of the Consumer Advocate and the Department of Defense ("DOD"), which were filed with the Commission on April 17, 2009.

Enclosed are four additional IRs to the Consumer Advocate and one additional IR to the DOD. The Company inadvertently omitted these IRs from its April 24th filing and respectfully requests that the Consumer Advocate and DOD also respond to these IRs. The Company apologizes for any inconvenience.

Sincerely,


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Director, Regulatory Affairs

Enclosures

cc: Division of Consumer Advocacy
Michael L. Brosch, Utilitech, Inc.
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Information Requests to
Division of Consumer Advocacy ("CA")

HECO/CA-IR-306

Ref: CA-101, Schedule B-5

Footnote (c) contains a calculation of the O&M Non-Labor payment lag days.

- a. Please provide a detailed schedule of amounts comprising the total "Other Non-Labor O&M" expense of \$93,439,000.
- b. Please provide a reconciliation of the differences in the "Other Non-Labor O&M" expense of \$93,439,000, and the "Other Non-Labor O&M" expense of \$121,605,000 presented by HECO in HECO-WP-1806, page 32. Please include explanations or references for each reconciling item.

HECO/CA-IR-307

Ref: CA-T-3, page 99, footnote 82

Footnote 82 states: "In the event that HECO commences making regular, ongoing contributions to the pension fund in an amount equal to the amount of NPPC included in rates, pension expense would no longer be treated as a 'non-cash' transaction."

If the Company makes a contribution in the test year that is less than the pension expense, please describe how the Consumer Advocate would treat the contribution and the non-contributed portion of the pension expense in working cash?

HECO/CA-IR-308

CA-T-3, Page 102-104

Please clarify the Consumer Advocate's position in this section of testimony.

- a. Please clarify the Consumer Advocate's definition of the revenue collection lag and the payment lag and describe how these lags are applied in the working cash calculation?
- b. Please clarify whether the revenue collection lag and the payment lag should be calculated independently of each other and represent, respectively, lags associated with the revenues received by the Company and the expenses paid by the Company? Please explain.
- c. Please explain if the netting of the revenue collection lag of 37 days and the revenue tax payment lag of 66 days does or does not properly capture working cash related to revenue taxes?

HECO/CA-IR-309

Ref: CA-T-3, page 104, lines 6-12

Please clarify the Consumer Advocate's position in this section of testimony.

- a. Please describe and explain how the period over which electricity is provided to customers is related to or dependent on the period the related revenue taxes are paid?
- b. Please describe and explain whether the delivery of electricity is contingent on the payment of the related revenue taxes?

- c. Please further explain why the Consumer Advocate proposes to reduce the revenue collection lag attributed to revenue tax expense by starting the measurement of the revenue collection lag from the point when bills are mailed to customers (for the PSC Tax and PUC Fee) and from the point when cash is received from customers (for the Franchise Royalty Tax), rather than from the point of electricity being delivered to the customer?

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HECO/DOD-IR-108

Ref: DOD-111, pages 1-2, line 5

There are no "DOD Adjustments" indicated for the "Fuel" line item. Please confirm that the DOD accepts HECO's test year fuel expense estimate.